

DEMOCRATS VIEW  
"WET" MOVEMENT  
WITH SOME DOUBT

West vs. East Alignment for  
Light Wines and Beer, But  
Dry Opinion Prevails Even  
Beyond River.

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WASHINGTON, March 8.—While there is no indication of a change of lack of effectiveness on the part of government officials who are charged with the enforcement of the prohibition laws, it is nevertheless a fact that a considerable part of the Western administration looks with some doubt upon the "wet" wave which is sweeping the Eastern seaboard.

The prohibition question seems even now and then to transcend all other phases of political discussion, and it is no secret that even in the face of what have been known as "Wet" might make at the San Francisco convention, the agitation began to gain momentum. New Jersey, which has more enthusiastic support from Democratic leaders who control delegations and who are thought to be "wet," is advising caution. They even argue the merit of prohibition as affecting their states, how the prohibitionists have been emptied and the retail merchants have prospered, but this sort of argument makes little effect on the "dry" men of the East, who do not see why, under a liberalization of the prohibition laws, the same civic objects could not be obtained.

For one thing, none of the "wets" in the administration has even a friendly word to say for the saloon. That, they declare, is gone for good. Nor do they champion the cause of whiskey. But they insist that some sort of beverage, like light wines or beer, should be permitted the country.

Indeed, the Wilson people who favor a liberal platform on the prohibition question are fearful lest the brewers or the liquor interests generally get behind what seems to "wet" folk here as a spontaneous reaction against prohibition.

They would prefer popular demonstration to continue, unimpeded by any organization of business interests which could be suspected of a selfish motive in the settlement of the question.

Some administration officials point out that the extreme tactics used by the Antisaloon league should not be duplicated by any institution favoring the "wet" cause or the public will not be roused in support of a reform of the prohibition laws.

Politically, however, it is interesting to watch such activities as those of Gov. Edwards of New Jersey, who is campaigning on a wet platform. There is a genuine expectation that he will enter presidential preference primaries in several states and gather in a large vote, more as a demonstration of how

the rank and file in the Democratic party feel about the wet question, than any special endorsement of Mr. Edwards himself, for admittedly, his personality has not been known west of the Ohio river since this year.

Hearty, many of the Democratic leaders do not look unfavorably on the Edwards movement. They think it will help them decide in advance of the San Francisco convention whether it is going to be popular to invert a glass during light wines and beer for the nation.

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IMPROVE TRACKS

THE BUREAU OF THE COTTON BELT, which is the largest cotton belt in the world, is now being improved by the construction of a new set of tracks. The new tracks will be laid out in a straight line, and will be made of steel. The old tracks were made of wood, and were in a very poor state of repair. The new tracks will be made of steel, and will be laid out in a straight line. The new tracks will be made of steel, and will be laid out in a straight line.

JACKSON TO OBSERVE  
MAY 1, AS AMERICAN DAY

JACKSON, Tenn., March 8, 1920.—The first of May will be observed in Jackson as "American day," with a large parade and other appropriate exercises and patriotic demonstrations in accordance with the plan of the National Security league. To hold a nation-wide celebration in the 1,250 cities and towns with a population of 5,000 or more, it was announced today by Mayor J. D. Johnson. The date of the local celebration has not been worked out, but a program committee will be organized at an early date to perfect plans for the exercises.

The mayor heartily endorses the plan of the National Security league and is looking forward to a memorable demonstration in Jackson, that will attract many thousands of people and be a booster day in the history of the city.

CONFERENCE COMBINE.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 8.—Dr. Will W. Alexander, Southeastern field secretary of the Interchurch World movement, announced at the close of the three-day conference of Alabama ministers here Friday afternoon, that the South Mississippi pastors' conference, scheduled to be held at Hattiesburg, beginning March 15, has been cancelled, and that this conference will be combined with the Louisiana conference at New Orleans.

CAPITALIST IMPROVES.

The condition of James A. Omborg, Memphis capitalist, stricken with heart disease at Biloxi, Miss., continues to improve, according to information reaching relatives Saturday.

His two sons, Frank S. and W. F. Omborg, are at his bedside, having been summoned Thursday evening. Mr. Omborg is over 60 years of age, and resigned the presidency of the First National bank last fall to go to Biloxi.

ROPER QUILTS APRIL 1.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The president Friday received the resignation of Daniel C. Roper, commissioner of internal revenue. Mr. Roper asked to be relieved April 1 or as soon thereafter as a successor could be named.

GOUGH IN GRASP  
OF STORM KING

NEW YORK, May 8.—The storm king said another unwelcome visit to New York today just as the city was commencing to recover from the effects of the \$2,000,000 blizzard of a month ago and within 12 hours the meteorological forecast with a biting rain, a driving sleet storm and a biting snow squall. As the temperature dropped steadily during the night the wind increased in velocity until during the early morning hours it had reached an unofficial velocity of 50 miles an hour which boded ill for anything off the coast.

The comparatively warm rain was at first welcomed by a much harassed street department as the fall of the rate of an inch an hour, washed away some of the icy muddy residue of February's blizzard. Butters soon were turned into miniature millraces, sewers were clogged, cellars were flooded, small streams in the gutting sections overflowed their banks, roads were washed out and high tides contributed to damage along the water front. Thousands of emergency calls were received by the water department.

The street made a successful attack on the transportation system. Several of the nearly all the trolley lines in Manhattan and on some of the elevated lines were crippled. The drifting snow later added to the difficulty and even with motor plows it was difficult to keep traffic moving.

Ferry transportation was considerably impeded. Trains into the railway terminals were reported to be considerably behind their schedule.

The rising wind whistled through the canyons of narrow streets in the skyscraper district making walking well-nigh impossible. It loosened signs, toppled over chimneys here and there and smashed great plate glass windows in fashionable shops along Fifth avenue, causing thousands of dollars damage. Forty oil paintings displayed in the windows of the Fifth galleries were slightly damaged by falling glass. Some of the paintings were over two hundred years old and had been displayed at the Royal Academy in London. Valuable antique vases were injured by being showered with broken glass in other art shops.

The telephone and telegraph companies reported that wire communication out of the city was badly crippled.

TEACHERS WIN IN  
STRIKE FOR INCREASE

SCRANTON, Pa., March 8.—The strike of the 60 school teachers of the borough of Archbald, which has been on for the past week, ended tonight. The school board has promised to meet with the teachers and form a new wage scale on the basis of the teachers' demands for an increase of \$32 a month.

GREGG OPENS OFFICE.

Immediate opening of office by W. H. Gregg, new freight agent for the Carson Belt Railway company at the line's new freight headquarters, Calhoun avenue and Tennessee street, will be made, according to announcement Saturday. Mr. Gregg was associated with this system prior to federal control. He succeeds Arthur Green, who goes to Pine Bluff, Ark., to take over a position with the same road.

MERIDIAN MAN, SHOT  
BY NEGRO, IS DEAD

MERIDIAN, Miss., March 8 (SPL.)—J. P. Tyrell, the suburban merchant, who Henry Lloyd says that he shot last Saturday night for the purpose of robbery, died Thursday from his wounds. A warrant charging murder will be sworn out immediately. Will Eddins, his partner, according to his statement, who shot and killed Henry W. Davis, night watchman, with the same gun, is already held on a charge of homicide.

The funeral of Mr. Tyrell took place Friday afternoon.

HOME DAMAGED.

Fire, the origin of which is unknown to Bremen, caused about \$25 damage to the home of T. M. Cathey, 214 South Belvedere boulevard, at 1:08 o'clock Saturday morning. The fire broke out in the third story of the house, which is of brick construction. Chemicals extinguished the blaze.

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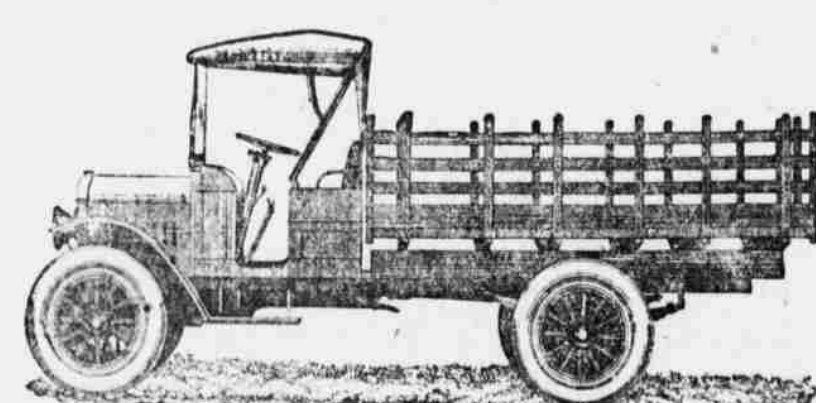
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